8. The tenderer should supply the rations in time and at the required places and should also be prepared to remove and replace any provisions which may be rejected by the Range Officer.

9. Once in a month, the tenderer will be paid through the Range Officer concerned for the value of the rations that may be supplied during the month on a bill to be prepared and sent to this office (District Forest Office, Mysore) for sanction along with the receipts previously obtained by him for the supply of rations to the Range Officers.

10. The earnest money of the rejected tenderers will be returned to them immediately if they happen to be present at the time of opening of tenders and to others by post at their cost.

11. In all cases of disputes concerning the contract, the decision of the Conservator of Forests will be final.

Form of Tender.

Serial No.	Name of provision	Quantity	Rate	Remarks—(here state whether for one group or for all the groups)

Notification dated 5th December 1923.

It is hereby notified for general information that the right of collecting and removing *Thangadi* and *Kakke* barks in the marginally noted taluks for 1923-25, will be resold at the risk of the original purchasers at 2 P.M. on *5th January 1924*, by the undersigned at the District Forest Office, Mysore, as the contractors have failed to remit 1st the Khist due on 1st November 1923, as required by condition 10 of the sale notification dated the 7th April 1923.

1. Hoddadevankote Taluk
2. Nagamangala Taluk
3. French Rocks Sub-Taluk
4. Chamrajnagar Taluk

For other particulars, please see pages 207 to 210, Part VI, *Mysore Gazette*, dated the 12th April 1923.

H. S. NARAYANA RAO,
District Forest Officer.

HASSAN DISTRICT.

Notice dated 15th December 1923.

The public are hereby informed that the right of collecting and removing canes and Nagabettas from the Kobbinale State Forest of the Manjarabad Range during the year 1923-24 will be sold by public auction by the District Forest Officer, Hassan District, at Saklespur on the 10th January 1924 at 2 P.M.

For conditions of sale, please see notification published on pages 531-33, Part VI of the *Mysore Gazette* dated the 11th August 1923.

N.B.—The right of collecting Nagabettas will be sold separately.

2. About 12, measuring seers of cardamom collected departmentally will also be put up for auction on the above date at Saklespur, on the knocking down of the produce, the purchaser should pay the whole amount immediately, and remove it after obtaining a pass therefor, from the Range Forest Officer, Manjarabad.

S. VENKATAVARDIENGAR,
District Forest Officer.

BHADRAVATI DIVISION.

Notification dated 28th November 1923.

The Tanning Bark Contractor of Narasimharajpura Sub-Taluk, for the period ending 30th June 1925, having failed to pay up the khist amount and to execute the necessary muchalika it is hereby notified for general information that the exclusive right of collecting and removing Tangadi and Kakke Barks from Government Lands in the said Sub-Taluk previously sold on 25th May 1923, in accordance with the Notification dated 7th April 1923, will be resold by the Undersigned on Tuesday the 18th December 1923, at 2 P.M. in the District Forest Office, Bhadravati, subject to the conditions of the original sale and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser. The right of collection will extend over a period commencing from the date of confirmation of the resale up to 30th June 1925.

Notification dated 10th December 1923.

Sealed tenders will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Bhadravati Division, Bhadravati, for the preparation and supply of 25,000 metre-gauge junglewood (consisting of Jambe, Jalari, Matti, Nandi and Honne) metre-gauge (6' 9" 4½") sleepers to the Department from the undermentioned forests of this Division to Bhadravati or Tarikere Railway Station:—

Name of Range	Name of Forest	Number of sleepers to be prepared and supplied.
Narasimharajpura ...	Aramballi State Forest	5,000
Hebbigiri	Hebbigiri State Forest	10,000
Danivasa	Malandur gudda	6,000
Chikagrahara	Mudguni	4,000

2. The tenders should be in the form noted hereunder superscribed "Tender for the supply of junglewood metre-gauge sleepers." The rate should be distinctly written in words as well as in figures.

3. Each tender should be accompanied with an earnest money deposit of Rs. 150 in currency notes which will be returned in due course in respect of rejected tenders.

4. Tenders received otherwise than by registered post will not be considered and will be rejected.

5. The tenders should reach the office of the District Forest Officer, Bhadravati, (Shimoga District) not later than 10th January 1924.

6. The acceptance of any tender vests in the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, who does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender or to assign any reasons for rejecting any tender.

7. The successful tenderer should commence the work with a week after the acceptance of the tenders is intimated to him and deliver all the sleepers at station before the end of April 1924, in quantities as shown below in four equal instalments:—

By the end of February 1924.	By the end of April 1924.
" March 1924	" May 1924.

Payments will be made for only such of the sleepers as are passed and accepted by the Railway Department.

8. The sleepers should be sawn square and smooth, measuring 6 feet in length, 8 inches in width and 4½ inches in thickness. They must be straight and free from cracks; shakes and other defects. No sleepers cut from a whole tree without longitudinal splitting and in which complete rings are visible will be passed.

9. Tenders will be received for the full quantity of sleepers but not for smaller quantities.

10. The successful tenderer will be required to execute an agreement within a week from the date of acceptance of his tender embodying the following conditions failing which the earnest money deposited by him will be forfeited and the contract cancelled.

Conditions of sale.

(*i*) The trees should be felled in regular consecutive order. The contractor will not be bound, however, to fell such trees as are in the opinion of the District Forest Officer, absolutely unfit for the purpose of sleepers.

(*ii*) The felling of trees reserved by the Department shall be treated as an offence.

(*iii*) The trees shall, as far as possible, be felled flush with the ground, and in no case the stump left behind in the ground after felling, should exceed 6 inches in height.

(*iv*) From the time of felling, the timber shall be at the sole risk of the contractor who shall make his own arrangements for the protection of the same from fire, theft, wastage or damage of any kind whatsoever.

(*v*) The cost of felling trees, extraction of timber and preparation and carting of sleepers to the place of delivery shall be borne entirely by the contractor.

(*vi*) Rejected sleepers, side-boards, tops and end pieces and all portions not used for sleepers shall remain the property of Government.

(*vii*) Every portion of a tree must, as far as possible, be converted into sleepers, if suitable for the purpose, without cutting undue wastage.

(*viii*) Sleepers shall not be removed from the Forests until they are checked by a duly authorised officer.

(*ix*) All removals shall be effected under cover of pass ports issued by a duly authorised officer and the contractor shall obtain receipt from the Ranger concerned for all deliveries made which shall thereafter be in charge of the said Ranger.

(*x*) The contractor shall maintain a bound register in the form prescribed by the District Forest Officer, showing the number and other particulars of trees felled and the outturn of sleepers.

(*xi*) The contractor shall not assign his right under this agreement or any part thereof without the written permission of the District Forest Officer, who may however refuse to grant such permission without assigning reasons therefor.

(*xii*) A list of agents, representatives and other employees of the contractor shall be furnished and approved of by the District Forest Officer.

(*xiii*) The contractor shall be responsible for the acts of himself, his agents and all persons authorised by either of them.

(*xiv*) The contractor shall take all possible care so that no damage shall be done to any standing growth in the forest which he is not entitled to fell. For any such damage unless, caused by accident or causes beyond his control, the contractor shall pay such compensation as the Conservator of Forests shall decide.

(*xv*) In the case of any fire within the forest area to which this contract applies, the contractor and his workmen shall render every assistance to put out the fire and in all such cases give immediate notices of the occurrence of fire to the nearest Forest, Revenue, or Police Officer.

(*xvi*) In the event of the failure on the part of the contractor to prepare and supply the sleepers in full monthly instalments as referred to under condition, *supra*, it shall be open to the District Forest Officer to immediately cancel the contract and make other arrangements for the same. The contractor shall not be eligible to claim any loss or damage from the Government or from the contractor to be appointed after such cancellation. He will not also be eligible to claim any charges for any trees that may have been felled by him in the forest or any sleepers partially or wholly prepared by him but lying in the forest unremoved to station at the time of such cancellation. Trees felled in the forest or sleepers partially or wholly prepared lying in the forest at the time of the cancellation of the contract shall lapse to Government free from all claims of the contractor to preparation and other charges that may have been incurred by him.

(*xvii*) In case any dispute regarding this contract, the decision of the Conservator of Forests shall be final.

(*xviii*) For the due fulfilment of all and every one of the conditions of this contract, the contractor agrees for the withholding of one-tenth of the amount of his bills as security and to the forfeiture of this amount and as well as the earnest money either in whole or in part of breach of all or any of the conditions of this contract as shall be decided by the Conservator of Forests and to the cancellation of the contract.

H. V. RANGASWAMI IYENGAR,
For *District Forest Officer*.

Form of Tender.

Sir,

I offer to prepare and deliver ..... (6′ 8″ 4½″) metre-gauge junglewood sleepers from ..... Range as per terms of the printed notification dated ..... at Rs. ..... per each sleeper, delivered at station yard and passed and accepted by the Railway Department and agree to the conditions contained in the notification.

I enclose herein currency Note/Notes of the marginally noted number/numbers to the value of Rs. 150 only as earnest money.

Yours faithfully,
(Signature).....
Address.....

Station.....
Dated.....